

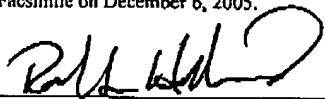
REMARKS

Claims 1 - 20 are pending in the application and stand rejected. Applicant has canceled Claim 20 and amended Claim 16 to incorporate the subject matter recited by Claim 20. Each of Claims 1-15 and 20 stand rejected at least in part by the Bajikar slide presentation submitted by Applicant in an information disclosure statement. Applicant submits herewith a declaration under 37 CFR § 1.131 to predate the Bajikar slide presentation. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration an full allowance of Claims 1-19.

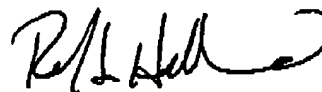
CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks set forth herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being sent to the
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